BookChat Fall 2015

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What's New at the Lake Bluff Public Library
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Board Meetings at 7:00pm

Tuesday, September 15
Tuesday, October 20
Tuesday, November 17

Library board meetings are held at the library and open to the public.

Library Hours

Monday	10:00 am–9:00 pm
Tuesday	10:00 am–6:00 pm
Wednesday	10:00 am–6:00 pm
Thursday	10:00 am–9:00 pm
Friday	10:00 am–6:00 pm
Saturday	10:00 am–4:00 pm
Sunday	1:00pm–5:00 pm

Library Closures

All Sundays
between Memorial Day and Labor Day
Monday, September 7, 2015
(Labor Day)
Wednesday, November 11, 2015
(Veteran's Day)
Thursday, November 26, 2015
(Thanksgiving Day)

Director's Message

Thank You for Helping Us Achieve Continued Excellence

The staff and trustees of the Lake Bluff Public Library are always striving to provide the best possible service to the community of Lake Bluff. As a result the last 3 years have been the most active in the library's history with an average of 109,495 checkouts and 76,995 visits per year.

Feedback from the community is essential to us in providing excellent service. This past spring individuals and organizations throughout the community were asked to comment on what the library meant to them and how the library can help them meet their goals in the future. The information gathered informed the library's new long range plan. The Lake Bluff Library cordially invites you to stop by our Spruth Meeting Room on Monday, September 21 between 4:30pm and 7:30pm for our Long Range Plan Open House to see how your input will shape the future of your library. Admittance is free to all. Refreshments will be served.

Regards,
Eric Bailey
Library Director

Introducing the NEW Online Fine Pay!

Want to hear some good news? Online fine pay is back! Want to hear some great news? Online fine pay is back AND we've eliminated the $1.50 convenience fee! Online Fine Pay has changed a lot since it was last available, so be sure to visit www.lakeblufflibrary.org/onlineaccount.html and click on the "Paying Fines" link for more information. Paper copies of the instructions are also available at the library.

Library Meeting Rooms Available

Whether you need space for a few individuals or a group of up to 35 people, our programming rooms are available for public use. Lake Bluff residents are free to sign up and use the rooms for any not-for-profit public meetings. If you are a community member interested in using our meeting rooms, call or visit the library to learn more!

Thanks to our wonderful volunteers who marched with us in the parade!

Adult Programs @ the Lake Bluff Public Library

Please register for adult programs to ensure we have the room adequately set-up.
Registration can be completed online at www.LakeBluffLibrary.org, by phone at 847-234-2540, or in person at the Reference Desk.

Trivia Night @ Lake Bluff Brewing Company

Monday, September 14 at 7:00pm
Monday, November 9 at 7:00pm
Registration is required, space is limited.
Back by popular demand! Do you know how long it takes for light from the sun to reach the earth? Or what comedy show had a famous "no hugging, no learning" policy? Then gather your friends and join us for a night of lively competition. We will be hosting Trivia Night at the Lake Bluff Brewing Company so register your team of up to five people and get your thinking caps ready. All participants must be 21 and older.

The Lake Bluff Brewing Company is located at 16 E. Scranton Ave. in Lake Bluff.

Four Paws at a Time: How You and Your Family Can Make a Difference in Animal Rescue

Monday, September 14 at 7:00pm
Come meet some special rescue animals and find out how your family can help pets in need! Whether by volunteering, fostering, or adopting, there are many ways you can get involved in pet rescue. Learn more in this program presented by Sandy Kamen Wisniewski, founder of Animal Education and Rescue and author of *The Animal Warrior*. Visitors of all ages are welcome to attend and will have the chance to meet current rescue animals that are available for adoption.

Open House

Monday, September 21 from 4:30pm – 7:30pm
Stop by to get a look at our new long range plan. We'll be there to answer your questions and give you an inside look at what's next for the Library. Light refreshments will be served.

De-cluttering Your Home a Room at a Time

Monday, September 28 at 7:00pm
Everyone has trouble spots in their home, whether it's the kitchen counter, the dining room table or the laundry room. It seems no matter what you do, it's always a mess. This workshop will show you how to focus on specific areas, such as the kitchen, garage and bedroom closet, and provide ideas for organizing each of these spaces.

National Library Card Sign-Up Month

Throughout September
Don't have a library card? Aren't sure if your card is up to date? Now is the time to change that! Anyone who signs up for a library card or renews their card during the month of September will receive a free pre-publication book and a five dollar fine or copy voucher, in addition to access to all the great resources the Library has to offer.

Redesigning Parents to Teach Authentic Children in an Inauthentic Culture

Thursday, October 1 at 7:00pm
This instructive presentation will help parents understand the relationship between the makeup of our children, the way we parent and the impact of our culture on both. Retired teacher Terry Thourson promises newfound vision on what authentic parenting entails.

Don't Pay the College Sticker Price

Monday, October 5 at 7:00pm
For many families, college tuition is the largest expense they will ever face. Join Joe Orsolini as he clarifies the college financial aid system including scholarships, grants, student loans and tax-saving opportunities that help relieve the burden. Mr. Orsolini is a Certified Financial Planner and a Certified College Planning Specialist with over 20 years of experience. This is the eighth year that Mr. Orsolini has presented this informative program at LBPL.

Chicago's Mayor Richard J. Daley: The Man, His Times and the City He Loved

Thursday, October 8 at 7:00pm
Historian Jim Gibbons presents the life of the man referred to as "Hizzoner," Mayor Richard J. Daley – a man of vision, courage and dreams for the great city of Chicago. Born in Bridgeport on the South Side, the legendary mayor governed for 21 years until his death in 1976. To this day, people still remark, "This never would have happened when Richard J. Daley was alive." Join Mr. Gibbons for a fascinating examination of the man behind the legend.

The Human Brain in Early Childhood

Thursday, October 15 at 7:00pm
Neuroscientist and brain development expert Lise Eliot joins psychotherapist and age regression hypnotherapist Wendy McCarty in a lively discussion of early memory and later emotional health, and the roles of nature versus nurture in our early development. Dr. Eliot is the author of *Pink Brain, Blue Brain: How Small Differences Grow into Troublesome Gaps--and What We Can do about It*. Both speakers are residents of Lake Bluff!

Online Learning with Lynda.com

Monday, October 19 at 7:00pm
Did you know that you can use your Lake Bluff Public Library card* to access hundreds of online courses through Lynda.com? Join us for this evening demonstration and learn how you can use Lynda.com to find courses on everything from basic Excel to advanced Photoshop. No devices are required at this demonstration.

*All are welcome at this demonstration, but please note that you need a Lake Bluff Library card in order to access Lynda.com through the Lake Bluff Library.

Still at War? Ghosts of the Civil War

Thursday, October 29 at 7:00pm
Join Bob Jensen, the founder of GhostLand Society, as he shares significant stories associated with the battlefields and the prisons of Gettysburg. Learn folklore of ghosts, slavery, the Underground Railroad and Abraham Lincoln! Mr. Jensen has a Master's in History and over 20 years of experience in paranormal investigation, including extensive time in Gettysburg and other Civil War locations.

World's Great Train Travel

Monday, November 2 at 7:00pm
Captain Bill Helmuth escorts us on an around the world train journey beginning the adventure on the Trans-Siberian Rail. After covering 6,000 miles through the wilds of Mongolia and Siberia, we will ride on to South Africa and the wonders of Central Asia. While enjoying the amazing life on board the train, we will pass through the Alps on the Orient Express – 1,500 miles of glamour from London to Venice. Finally, we arrive in San Francisco to experience our own glorious west as we climb the mountains and travel 2,300 miles back to Chicago.

Adult Programs @ the Lake Bluff Public Library

Holiday Starters / Hors d' Oeuvres by Chef Maddox

Friday, November 13 at 1:30pm

Enjoy an afternoon of culinary learning as well as a sampling of flavors and textures! Chef Michael Maddox will demonstrate how to create savory canapés to liven up taste buds in anticipation of a pleasant holiday dinner. Whether you're hosting or bringing a starter to a party, this program is sure to have something for you!

Napkin Folding for an Elegant Holiday Table

Wednesday, November 18 at 1:30pm

Are you hosting a holiday meal this year? Entertain your family and friends with fun table settings that show off your new skill: napkin folding! Join Liliana as she walks you through the steps to create a napkin turkey, tree, and flower. Plus, take home the directions for these designs and more!

Board Game Bonanza

Saturday, November 21 from 10:30am – 3:30pm

Grab your friends and drop in for our board game bonanza. Bring your own game or choose from our selection. We'll have classics like *Pictionary* and *Taboo*, newer picks like *Ticket to Ride*, *Dixit*, and *Pandemic* and snacks to keep the gaming going.

Puzzle Swap

Saturday, November 21 from 10:00am – 4:00pm

Looking for a new challenge? In honor of International Games Day we are hosting our first puzzle swap. Bring in your gently used puzzles starting November 16 through November 21 and return on November 21 to get a brand new-to-you puzzle.

Fall Crafts for Adults – Upcycling is Amazing!

Wednesdays, September 2, October 7, and November 4 at 1:30pm
Registration is Required

This fall we'll be upcycling household items to make amazing new crafts. Liliana will show you how to make fall leaves into art, turn books into pumpkins, and find new uses for old wine corks! Crafts are done on the first Wednesday of the month. All materials are provided.

Trends in Interior Design

Susan Brunstrum of Sweet Peas Design in Libertyville has practiced interior design for 12 years. She has published in local media, appeared on WGN's *Bring it Home* and NBC's *Open House,* and participated in the Infant Welfare Society's Lake Forest Showcase House. Join her for three stand-alone sessions on the key elements of current fashions for the home.

Great Room Trends

Thursday, September 10 at 7:00pm

Ms. Brunstrum will address everything from evaluating how you use your Great Room to choosing a color palette, incorporating texture and fabrics and selecting lighting. She will make suggestions on storage solutions and how to accessorize like a pro.

Bathroom Trends

Thursday, September 17 at 7:00pm

Check out the latest in bathroom cabinetry colors and styles, fixtures, tiles and countertops. Also learn about storage and organization for any size bathroom.

Kitchen Trends

Thursday, September 24 at 7:00pm

Catch the newest in cabinetry for kitchen organization and function; view color palettes for countertops, cabinets and flooring; and discover lighting models. All questions are welcome!

Beginning Knitting for Adults

Thursdays from 1:30pm – 2:30pm
Registration is required

In the course of six sessions, Eliza will teach beginning knitting or help returning students advance their skills. Starting with the basics of casting on and knitting, all participants can create a cute pair of fingerless mitts by the end of the course. The library will provide supplies, but PLEASE register in advance so we have enough on hand.

October 1 • October 8 • October 22
October 29 • November 5 • November 12

Wool Gatherers

***New time: Thursdays at 1:30pm**
September 17 (Warm-up America begins)
October 15 • November 19

This program is an ongoing, adult gathering that meets the third Thursday of each month unless otherwise noted. Our circle of needle artists gets together to share stories, solve problems, and work on our current projects. Wool Gatherers is open to all skill levels. Registration is not required.

Cookbook Book Club

Friday, October 2 at 1:30 PM
October's theme is "Appetizers / Small Bites."

Join Carrie for the first meeting of this brand new book club! Selected cookbooks will be on display at the library—come browse and pick a recipe to make. Then bring the finished dish to Book Club and sample everyone's different recipes. This club is for you if you enjoy cooking, baking, or just the way that food brings people together. Of course, you have to like EATING too! This is for all skill levels, from experienced cooks and bakers to beginners.

***New start time: 2:30pm**

September 15: *Five Quarters of the Orange* by Joanne Harris (Fiction, 2001, 307 p.)

October 20: *Don't Let's Go to the Dogs Tonight* by Alexandra Fuller (Nonfiction, 2001, 320 p.)

November 17: *The Outside Boy* by Jeanine Cummins (Fiction, 2010, 384 p.)

Join us for insightful discussion, camaraderie with fellow book lovers, and perhaps a glass of wine at our new book club! Led by Martha and Amy, this club is held at Wisma in downtown Lake Bluff. All titles for the discussions are available for check-out at the circulation desk. Some titles are available for download through MyMediaMall.

All discussions are held on Wednesdays at 7:00pm at Wisma, located at 24 E. Scranton Ave. in Lake Bluff.

September 16: *Where'd You Go Bernadette?* by Maria Semple (2012, Fiction, 329 p.)

October 21: *The Empathy Exams* by Leslie Jamison (2014, Nonfiction, 226 p.)

November 18: *The Rosie Project* by Graeme Simsion (2013, Fiction, 295 p.)

Recipe Exchange

Continuing through Monday, November 30

Take part on our ongoing recipe exchange, now extended so you can add your favorite fall foods! The library is hosting a recipe trade box; bring one in and take one home to try. We are compiling all the entries to create a Lake Bluff Community Cookbook. All participants will receive their own free digital copy just in time for the holidays!

Adult Programs @ the Lake Bluff Public Library

Movies for Adults

Bring a friend and enjoy a movie at the library. Refreshments are served.

Afternoon Movies at 1:00pm

Tuesday, September 29: *5 Flights Up*
(PG-13, 92 minutes, 2014)
Friday, October 23: *The Age of Adaline*
(PG-13, 110 minutes, 2015)
Tuesday, November 10: *Cinderella*
(PG-13, 112 minutes, 2015)

Display Case

Are you an avid collector of unique items? Dust off those meaningful items and share them with the patrons of Lake Bluff Library in the Spruth Room's glass display case. Please contact Carol Carter for available dates.
September: Troll Dolls loved by Teddi Santos
October: Transformers collected by Phil Romei
November: "Got Milk" advertisements saved by Martha O'Hara

Warm Up America!

Warm Up America! is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization made up of volunteers across the country who knit and crochet handmade afghans for those in need. Help us as we create afghans to donate to the Mothers Trust Foundation to give to children in Lake County. The sections can be made at the library during Wool Gatherers or at home. Drop homemade sections in the basket located near the old entrance anytime the library is open.

Materials needed for a 7"x 9" section:

*Medium-weight/worsted **ACRYLIC** yarn.
*4 mm/G-6 crochet hook OR 4.5mm/7 knitting needles

Patterns and directions are available at the Circulation Desk.
A basket of donated acrylic yarns of various colors will be put out at the library for knitters interested in making the 7"x 9" sections.

Thursday, September 17 at 1:30pm
Wool Gatherers begin knitting and crocheting sections for the afghans.

Thursday, November 6 from 11:00am to 4:00pm
All sections are due at the library. Join us to sew the pieces together. Whether you can donate an hour or all day, please come!

Thursday, January 21 by 5:00pm
Completed afghans will be collected and dropped off with the Mothers Trust Foundation.

Children's Programs @ the Lake Bluff Public Library

Winter Reading Club

Saturday, October 3 through Saturday, May 7, 2016

Earn yourself a reading badge (or 2 or 3 or 4) this winter. Children in grades 3-8 can earn their badges by reading 5 books on a theme. First and second graders can earn their badges by reading 10 books on a theme.

This program is designed for independent readers in grades 1 through 8.

National Library Card Sign-Up Month

Throughout September

September is National Library Card Sign-Up Month. It is our goal for each child in Lake Bluff to have his or her own library card. Children 5 years and older can get their own library card. New young card recipients will receive a special card holder and button.

Video Game Thursdays

Thursdays, September 3 through October 29 from 3:00pm – 5:00pm

Children in grades 3 through 8 can join us for a different video game each Thursday afternoon. Bring a friend and play video games at the library.

Preschool Storytime

Tuesdays, September 8 through October 13
Registration is required.

We will have stories, songs and crafts for young children.

2 year olds 11:15am – 11:35am
For a child and a caregiver

3-5 year olds 10:30am – 11:00am
For children without an adult

Paws for a Tale

Mondays, October 19 through November 23 at 7:00pm, 7:30pm and 8:00pm
Registration is required

Children in grades 1 through 5 can sign up to read to one of two certified therapy dogs. These gentle dogs are nonjudgmental and great listeners for those children who could use some quality time reading out loud or would just enjoy reading to a good listener. Parents will need to sign a waiver form. Time slots go quickly so sign up early for one or more 20-minute sessions.

Halloween Parties

Tuesday, October 20

Start your holiday fun at the library. Wear your costume and join us for a spooky craft, chilling tales, and ghoulish treats.
Preschoolers – 10:30am
School Age – 4:30pm

Children's Programs @ the Lake Bluff Public Library

Art Display at the Lake Bluff Library

Throughout November

Visit the children's department and see the remarkable display of artwork made by the children in Mrs. Thomsen's Park District art classes. These works of art will be made during the month of October which is National Bullying Prevention Month. Anti-bullying messages will be expressed through the created artwork on display.

International Games Day

Saturday, November 21 from 10:00am to 4:00pm

Children can join us for a day of gaming at the library. We will have traditional board games, decks of cards and video games.

Thanksgiving Drop-in Craft

Sunday, November 22 through Wednesday, November 25
While supplies last

Stop in and make a Thanksgiving craft to take home. Younger children will need caregivers' assistance.

Parent/Child Reading Group

For Grades 2-3
Monday, December 7 at 7:30pm
Third Grade Detectives #1 by George B. Stanley

For Grades 4-5
Monday, December 14 at 7:30pm
Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing by Judy Blume

Boys and girls can bring a parent to our reading group. Copies of the book will be available at the children's desk.

Just for Teens & Tweens

Grades 6 through 12

ACT Prep!

Thursday, September 3 at 6:00pm
Registration is required

High school juniors and seniors can join Kathryn Petty of Grace Tutoring, LLC for a last chance to go over some strategies and content before the autumn ACTs begin! We want to make sure we have materials for everyone, so registration is recommended!

Teen Crafting

Thursday, October 8 at 7:30pm

In October, we'll be making Nail Polish Marbled Flower Pots! Pick your unique color scheme, and design your own! We will provide pots and nail polish, but feel free to bring a specific color if you want it!

Teen Knitting

Thursdays, September 24 and October 29 at 7:30pm

Teens, if you have an interest in knitting or crochet, join us once a month to stitch and chat! Eliza can teach you the basics, help you master new techniques, or even troubleshoot problems you might be having! Beginners are welcome in this relaxed, informal group.

Pizza and a Movie!

Thursday, November 5 at 6:00pm

Join us for pizza and a movie! We'll vote on the movie that night and enjoy it while dining on pizza!

Teen Advisory Board

Thursdays, September 17, October 22, and November 19 at 7:30pm

Join this fun group and earn volunteer hours, meet new friends, find new books, and give us your two cents about teen services! You can even play a bookish guessing game for the chance to win a different prize every month! Snacks and drinks will be served.

Teen Book Discussion Group

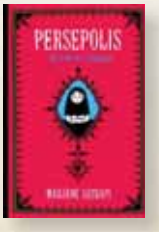
Saturdays at 2:00pm

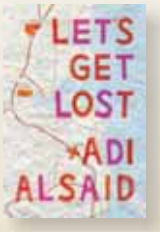
Meet at the Lake Bluff Starbucks on Waukegan Rd to discuss a different title every month, and we'll treat you to a coffee, tea or snack!

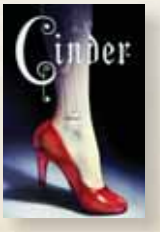
Saturday, September 19:
Persepolis by Marjane Satrapi

Saturday, October 24:
Let's Get Lost by Adi Alsaid

Saturday, November 14:
Cinder by Marissa Meyer







Join us on the teen blog; get the latest information and goings-on. Submit your own posts to share opinions on books you just finished, games you're obsessed with, movies you're anticipating, and more!
http://lakeblufflibraryteens.tumblr.com/

The Friends of the Lake Bluff Library

The Friends of the Lake Bluff Library had the great fortune of being chosen by the newly opened Potbelly Sandwich Shop on Rockland Road to receive all donations from their "soft opening" earlier this summer. This windfall will allow us to fund improvements to the library that we had not anticipated being able to do so soon. Some suggestions were upgrading the Wi-Fi system in the library and replacing some of the shelves in the children's section.

We invite you to join our Friends group to share your ideas and creativity so we can make the best use of our funds. Our meetings are held on the third Saturday of the month at 10:00am in the Library. Over 100 donors have contributed more than $13,000 to the Friends' 2014 - 2015 fundraising campaign, making it the second most successful campaign on record. It is because of these contributions that we can purchase items to enhance your visit to the Lake Bluff Library and fund programs for the entire Lake Bluff community. Thanks for your help. Look for 2015 - 2016 campaign materials in early November.

The Friends of the Library

Linda Schwartz, *President*
Eileen Laack, *Vice President*
Eva Javier, *Treasurer*
Mary Dahlmann, *Secretary*

Friends Meetings at 10:00am

Meetings are on the third Saturday of the month.

Saturday, September 19
Saturday, October 17
Saturday, November 21

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